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- 1. NO REPLY HAS AS YET BEEN RECEIVED TO PROPOSAL THAT GOS WAIVE ANNUAL FEE FOR RL OPERATION IN SPAIN, AND THE ANNUAL PAYMENT DUE SEPTEMBER 23 FOR OPERATION OF THIS STATION HAS BEEN DEFERRED PENDING THE GOS DECISION.
- 2. THE PAYMENT DUE SEPT 23, HOWEVER, COVERS
 OPERATION OF THE STATION FOR THE PRECEDING SIX MONTHS
 AND ITS OPERATION FOR THE FUTURE SIX MONTHS. IT HAS
 THEREFORE BEEN AGREED, FOLLOWING CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN
 THE RL REP IN SPAIN AND THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF RADIO
 AND TELEVISION OF THE INFORMATION MINISTRY, AND BETWEEN
 EMB POL CSLR AND THE MFA SUBDIRECTOR GENERAL FOR NORTH
 AMERICAN AFFAIRS, THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO MAKE
 A PAYMENT NOW OF ONE HALF OF THE AMOUNT DUE SEPT 23,
 PENDING A DECISION BY THE GOS ON THE PROPOSAL TO WAIVE
 THE ANNUAL FEE.
- 3. RL REP HAS THEREFORE REQUESTED RL WASHINGTON TO EFFECT SUCH PAYMENT TO GOS FOR ONE HALF AMOUNT DUE. MEANWHILE MFA OFFICIAL WILL CHECK FURTHER ON WHERE WAIVER PROPOSAL CONFIDENTIAL

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